

# 2003 TENNESSEE WATERFOWL HUNTING GUIDE

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TENNESSEE Wildlife RESOURCES AGENCY  
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RESTRICTED 30-DAY PINTAIL  
AND CANVASBACK SEASON  
(SEE PAGES 3 & 6)



## TWRA OFFICES

All Office Hours: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  
Monday-Friday (local time)

### Central Office - Nashville

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Boat Registration .....	615-781-6585
Boating Safety .....	615-781-6682
Director's Office .....	615-781-6552
Fisheries Division .....	615-781-6575
Law Enforcement .....	615-781-6580
Legal .....	615-781-6606
License Sales .....	615-781-6585
Personnel Division .....	615-781-6594
Quota Hunts .....	615-781-6621
Wildlife Division .....	615-781-6610

### West Tennessee - Region I

200 Lowell Thomas Drive Jackson, TN 38301 .....	731-423-5725
Toll Free .....	1-800-372-3928
Fax .....	731-423-6483

### Middle Tennessee - Region II

Ellington Agricultural Center P. O. Box 41489 Nashville, TN 37204 .....	615-781-6622
Toll Free .....	1-800-624-7406
Fax .....	615-831-9995

### Cumberland Plateau - Region III

464 Industrial Blvd. Crossville, TN 38555 .....	931-484-9571
Toll Free .....	1-800-262-6704
Fax .....	931-456-1025

### East Tennessee - Region IV

3030 Wildlife Way Morristown, TN 37814 .....	423-587-7037
Toll Free .....	1-800-332-0900
Fax .....	423-587-7057

**TDD** (Telecommunications Device for the Deaf) ..... 615-781-6691

**Website** ..... [www.tnwildlife.org](http://www.tnwildlife.org)

## AFTER HOURS INFORMATION

For general information, the following numbers may be called between the hours of 4:30 p.m. and midnight.

West Tennessee - Region I .....	1-800-372-3928
Middle Tennessee - Region II .....	1-800-624-7406
Cumberland Plateau - Region III .....	1-800-262-6704
East Tennessee - Region IV .....	1-800-332-0900

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This publication is not a legal document. It is a summary of Tennessee's waterfowl hunting regulations. More detailed information on waterfowl hunting is available from local wildlife officers and all TWRA offices.

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## SPECIAL REGULATIONS

### HUNTING HOURS

**Ducks, Geese, Gallinules, Rails, Coots** - One-half hour before sunrise to sunset (except where otherwise noted).

### PLUGGED SHOTGUNS

No person shall hunt migratory game birds with a shotgun of any description capable of holding more than three (3) shells, unless it is plugged with a one-piece filler, incapable of removal without disassembling the gun, so its total capacity does not exceed three (3) shells.

### LEGAL SHOT

All federally approved nontoxic shot (steel, bismuth-tin, tungsten-iron, tungsten-polymer, tungsten-matrix or tungsten-nickel-iron) are legal for waterfowl hunting.

Possession or use of any loose shot other than nontoxic shot or any shotgun shells other than nontoxic while hunting waterfowl, coots, gallinules, Virginia rails, and sora rails is prohibited.

### SPECIAL CLOSING TIMES ON WMAS

Waterfowl hunting on all WMAs, including those listed below, closes at sunset on the last day of the duck season.

- During the waterfowl season, hunting on Camden Unit I, Gooch Units A & E, John Tully, Old Hickory Unit I, Reelfoot, Tigrett, West Sandy and Wolf River closes at 3:00 p.m. (CST).
- Waterfowl hunting on White Oak closes at 1:00 p.m. (CST).
- All types of water traffic are prohibited after 2:00 p.m. (CST) on White Oak.
- Waterfowl hunting on Cold Creek Refuge closes at noon each day.

### SPECIAL RESTRICTIONS ON WMAS

- From Nov. 21-26, all activities are prohibited on subimpoundments of Barkley Unit I, Big Sandy (including Gin Creek), Camden Unit I, Cheatham Lake, Gooch Units A and E, Old Hickory Unit I, West Sandy, and White Oak.
- Barkley Unit 1 and Big Sandy (including Gin Creek) are closed on Tuesdays and Fridays except the first and last days of the duck season.
- Cheatham Lake is closed Monday, Tuesday and Friday except on the first and last days of the duck season.
- All activities are prohibited in the following subimpoundments from 2 hours after the end of the waterfowl hunting hours until 4:00 a.m. the following day: Barkley Unit I, Big Sandy (including Gin Creek) Camden Units I & II, Cheatham Lake, Gooch Unit A, Old Hickory Unit I, Tigrett and West Sandy.

- No more than eight (8) adults, 16 years of age or older, are allowed at any draw blind site at any one time. No restriction on the number of youths 15 years of age or younger.
- Waterfowl hunting on Shelby Forest is open Monday, Wednesday and Saturday within the statewide duck season and the last 7 days of the statewide duck season, except Sunday. No permanent blinds. No decoys left overnight.
- No waterfowl hunters are allowed on Chickamauga Units from 2 hours after legal shooting hours have ended until 4:00 a.m. the following day.

## MANDATORY HUNTER EDUCATION

All hunters born on or after Jan. 1, 1969, must possess proof that they have successfully completed a hunter education course. Those under 10 years of age do not need a Hunter Safety certificate, but must be accompanied by an adult at least 21 years of age who must remain in a position to take immediate control of the hunting device. Call your local TWRA office or visit the TWRA's website at [www.tnwildlife.org](http://www.tnwildlife.org) for a listing of scheduled Hunter Safety classes. **NOTE: To replace a Hunter Education Card at a TWRA license agent location, first contact your TWRA Regional Office during normal business hours. Verify that your Hunter Safety number has been updated in the TWRA license system. Then you may go to a TWRA license agent and purchase a Type 500 (Hunter Education Card Replacement), for \$5.00.**

## LICENSE FEES

### RESIDENT LICENSES

**Hunting and Fishing Combination (Type 001) .....\$21**  
**Waterfowl (Type 005) .....\$18**  
 Needed in addition to Type 001.

**Annual Sportsman (Type 004) .....\$101**  
 An all-inclusive license valid for hunting, trapping, and sport fishing without any state supplemental licenses or non-quota permits and allows holders to apply for quota permits at no additional fee. Sportsman licenses can be purchased from all license agents.

**Lifetime Sportsman ..... age determines the cost**  
 An all-inclusive lifetime license valid for hunting, trapping and sport fishing without any state supplemental licenses or permits. Allows holders to apply for quota permits at no additional fee. Applications are available at your local TWRA office and the TWRA website.

**Type 401 (Under 3 years) .....\$200**  
**Type 406 (Ages 3-6) .....\$400**  
**Type 402 (Ages 7-12) .....\$600**  
**Type 403 (Ages 13-50) .....\$1,200**

**Type 404 (Ages 51-64) .....\$700**

**Type 405 (Ages 65 and over) .....\$200**

**Junior Hunt/Trap/Fish (Type 002) .....\$8**

Ages 13-15. Good for hunting all game, fishing, and trapping. Must be purchased prior to 16th birthday. No supplemental licenses are required, but special season and WMA permits will need to be purchased in addition to this license.

### Permanent Senior Citizen Hunt/Fish/Trap

**(Type 166) .....\$11**

Available at all license agents and can only be purchased when 65th birthday is reached. A valid Tennessee driver's license or proof of age and residency is required. No supplemental licenses are required, but special season and WMA permits will need to be purchased in addition to this license. Application with proof of age and residency can be mailed in.

**Annual Senior Citizen Permit (Type 167) .....\$41**

May be purchased only by holders of a Type 165 or Type 166 license. It covers all non-quota permits required by TWRA and allows holders to apply for quota permits without payment of additional fees.

### NONRESIDENT LICENSES

**Junior Hunt/Fish (Type 070) .....\$6**

Required for nonresidents ages 13-15. A Type 073 or 074 is required to hunt big game.

### 7-Day Hunt-Small Game/Waterfowl

**(Type 072) .....\$30.50**

**Hunt-Small Game/Waterfowl (Type 071) .....\$56**

**7-Day All Game (Type 074) .....\$105.50**

**Annual All Game (Type 073) .....\$156**

### MIGRATORY BIRD PERMIT REQUIRED

Resident and nonresident hunters must possess a Tennessee Migratory Bird Permit to hunt waterfowl and other migratory birds. This permit is available at any license agent or TWRA regional office. There is no charge. The following do not need to have this permit:

- Landowners hunting on own land
- Disabled veterans
- Tennessee residents 65 years or older
- Tennessee residents under 13 years of age
- Lifetime Sportsman license holders

### FEDERAL DUCK STAMP - \$15

Federal law requires that each waterfowl hunter, age 16 and over, carry on his/her person, in addition to a hunting license and permit, a valid Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp (federal duck stamp) signed in ink across the face. These can be obtained through the Post Office, National Wildlife Refuge offices, and some discount and sporting goods stores.



## WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA PERMITS

Everyone who hunts on wildlife management areas that require permits must have a WMA permit except: a holder of a Lifetime Sportsman License, an Annual Sportsman License, or juveniles under age 16 hunting small game and waterfowl. (A complete list of WMAs, including those that require permits, can be found in the *2003 Tennessee Hunting and Trapping Guide*.) NOTE: Juvenile hunters must be accompanied by an adult with a valid WMA permit, if required by that WMA. Youths under age 10 may not hunt big game on any WMA.

**WMA Small Game and Waterfowl (Type 091) ....\$26**

**1-Day Small Game and Waterfowl (Type 092) ....\$5.50**

**WMA Small Game only (Type 093) .....\$11**

**Special Season/WMA Nonquota Big Game**

**(Type 094).....\$13**

Valid for all Special Season Non-quota and WMA non-quota big game hunts, including Cherokee.

**Cherokee WMA Big Game Nonquota**

**(Type 095).....\$10**

Valid for Cherokee WMA nonquota big game hunts.

**Reelfoot Preservation Permit** - Required for all users except those under 16 years of age, residents 65 years or older and holders of the adult Annual Sportsman License, Lifetime Sportsman License or Type 167 Permit.

**Annual Reelfoot Preserv. Permit (Type 089) ...\$11**

**3-Day Reelfoot Preserv. Permit (Type 088) ..\$6.50**

**1-Day Reelfoot Preserv. Permit (Type 090) ..\$2.50**

**Royal Blue and Sundquist Special Use Permits**

These permits may be purchased for horseback riding, bicycling and ORV use. Youths under age 13 and persons holding a valid annual or permanent hunting license with a valid permit to hunt on these areas are exempt.

**Resident Annual Permit (Type 035) .....\$50.00**

**Resident Daily Permit (Type 036) .....\$10.00**

**Non-resident Annual Permit (Type 037) ...\$160.00**

**Non-resident Daily Permit (Type 038).....\$25.00**

At least one occupant of an enclosed vehicle must possess the proper permit(s). No permit shall be required on certain roads/trails as designated.

Refer to the current *Tennessee Hunting and Trapping Guide* for regulations regarding waterfowl hunting on specific WMAs.

### Attention Waterfowl Hunters

According to Tennessee law (TCA Section 70-4-108) when hunting on public land or waters, you cannot hunt within 100 yards of a visible dwelling without the owner's permission.

## DUCKS, COOTS, MERGANSERS, GALLINULES, VIRGINIA & SORA RAILS

### DUCKS, COOTS & MERGANSERS

**Statewide** (includes Reelfoot Zone)

Nov. 27, 2003 - Jan. 25, 2004

**Pintail** - Dec. 27, 2003 - Jan. 25, 2004

**Canvasback** - Dec. 27, 2003 - Jan. 25, 2004

### GALLINULES & MOORHENS

**Statewide** (includes Reelfoot Zone)

Nov. 27, 2003 - Jan. 18, 2004

### VIRGINIA & SORA RAILS

**Statewide** (includes Reelfoot Zone)

Nov. 27, 2003 - Jan. 20, 2004

### DAILY BAG LIMITS

**Ducks** -Six birds including no more than 4 mallards

(no more than 2 female mallards), 1 black duck, 2

wood ducks, 1 pintail (Dec. 27, 2003 - Jan. 25,

2004), 1 canvasback (Dec. 27, 2003 - Jan. 25, 2004),

3 scaup and 2 redheads.

**Coots and Gallinules** - 15

**Mergansers** - 5 (only 1 of which may be a hooded merganser)

**Virginia and sora rails** - 25

### POSSESSION LIMIT

Twice the daily bag limit except on opening day. Rails same as daily bag limit.

### YOUTH WATERFOWL HUNTING SEASON

**Statewide** (includes Reelfoot Zone)

**Jan. 31 - Feb. 1, 2004, For youths 15 and under.**

Youths, ages 10-15, must be accompanied by an adult at least 18 years of age. Youths, ages 9 and under, must be accompanied by an adult at least 21 years of age. The adult accompanying the young hunter may not hunt ducks but may participate in other open seasons. Geese, coots, gallinules, moorhens, and ducks, including pintails, may be taken by youths during Youth Waterfowl Season, but canvasback season is closed during Youth Waterfowl Season. **Bag Limit** - Same as statewide bag limits. See Daily Bag Limits.

## WHITE-FRONTED GEESE

**Statewide season** - Nov. 22, 2003 - Feb. 15, 2004

**Daily bag limit** - 2 white-fronted geese

**Possession limit** - Twice the daily bag limit except on opening day.

## BLUE, SNOW & ROSS' GEESE

**Statewide season** - Nov. 15, 2003 - Feb. 29, 2004

**Daily bag limit** - 20 blue, snow, and Ross' geese

**Possession limit** - There is no possession limit for blue, snow, and Ross' geese except on opening day when it is the same as the daily bag limit.

## BRANT

**Statewide season** - Nov. 27, 2003 - Jan. 31, 2004

**Daily bag limit** - 2 brant

**Possession limit** - Twice the daily bag limit except on opening day.

## CANADA GEESE

(It is not required to tag or check Canada geese.)

**Daily bag limit** - 2 Canada geese in all zones

**Possession limit** - Twice the daily bag limit except on opening day.

### ZONES, SEASON DATES AND QUOTAS

The following Canada Goose Zones contain information pertaining to each zone.

#### NORTHWEST MVP ZONE

Mississippi Valley Population (MVP) - Applies to the following: Lake, Obion, Weakley counties and those portions of Gibson and Dyer counties not included in the Southwest MVP Zone.

**Season:** Dec. 6, 2003 - Feb. 15, 2004

#### SOUTHWEST MVP ZONE

Mississippi Valley Population (MVP) - Applies to that portion of the state bounded on the north by Hwys. 20 and 104 and on the east by Hwys. 45W and 45.

**Season:** Dec. 13, 2003 - Jan. 31, 2004

#### KENTUCKY/BARKLEY LAKES ZONE

Southern James Bay Population (SJB) - Applies to those counties or portions thereof west of Hwy. 13 not included in the Northwest and Southwest MVP Zones.

**Season:** Dec. 13, 2003 - Jan. 31, 2004

#### REMAINDER OF THE STATE

Giant Canada Geese - Applies to all counties and portions of counties east of Hwy. 13.

**Seasons:** Oct. 4-13, 2003

Nov. 27, 2003 - Jan. 25, 2004

## Help Stop Poaching

### To report violations only, call:

West TN (Reg. I) ..... 1-800-831-1173

Middle TN (Reg. II) ..... 1-800-255-8972

Cumberland Plateau (Reg. III) ..... 1-800-241-0767

East TN (Reg. IV) ..... 1-800-831-1174

### Rewards for arrests and convictions

## CANADA GOOSE ZONES

Daily Bag Limit - 2 Canada geese in all zones



#### Northwest MVP Zone

Dec. 6, 2003 - Feb. 15, 2004



#### Kentucky/Barkley Lakes Zone

Dec. 13, 2003 - Jan. 31, 2004



#### Southwest MVP Zone

Dec. 13, 2003 - Jan. 31, 2004



#### Remainder of the state

Oct. 4-13, 2003

Nov. 27, 2003 - Jan. 25, 2004

# SUNRISE AND SUNSET TIMES

These charts reflect Standard Time only. Add one hour to each to convert to Daylight Saving Time.

## MEMPHIS (CENTRAL STANDARD TIME)

	OCT.		NOV.		DEC.		JAN.		FEB	
DAY	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.
1	5:55	5:45	6:21	5:06	6:50	4:48	7:09	4:59	7:00	5:28
2	5:55	5:43	6:22	5:05	6:51	4:48	7:09	5:00	6:59	5:30
3	5:56	5:42	6:23	5:04	6:52	4:48	7:09	5:01	6:58	5:31
4	5:57	5:40	6:24	5:03	6:53	4:48	7:09	5:01	6:57	5:32
5	5:58	5:39	6:25	5:02	6:53	4:48	7:09	5:02	6:56	5:33
6	5:59	5:38	6:26	5:01	6:54	4:48	7:09	5:03	6:56	5:34
7	5:59	5:36	6:27	5:01	6:55	4:48	7:09	5:04	6:55	5:35
8	6:00	5:35	6:28	5:00	6:56	4:48	7:09	5:05	6:54	5:36
9	6:01	5:33	6:29	4:59	6:57	4:48	7:09	5:06	6:53	5:37
10	6:02	5:32	6:30	4:58	6:58	4:48	7:09	5:07	6:52	5:38
11	6:03	5:31	6:31	4:57	6:58	4:49	7:09	5:08	6:51	5:39
12	6:03	5:29	6:32	4:57	6:59	4:49	7:09	5:08	6:50	5:40
13	6:04	5:28	6:33	4:56	7:00	4:49	7:09	5:09	6:49	5:41
14	6:05	5:27	6:34	4:55	7:00	4:49	7:09	5:10	6:48	5:42
15	6:06	5:26	6:35	4:55	7:01	4:50	7:08	5:11	6:47	5:43
16	6:07	5:24	6:36	4:54	7:02	4:50	7:08	5:12	6:46	5:43
17	6:08	5:23	6:37	4:53	7:02	4:50	7:08	5:13	6:45	5:44
18	6:09	5:22	6:38	4:53	7:03	4:51	7:07	5:14	6:43	5:45
19	6:09	5:21	6:39	4:52	7:04	4:51	7:07	5:15	6:42	5:46
20	6:10	5:19	6:40	4:52	7:04	4:51	7:07	5:16	6:41	5:47
21	6:11	5:18	6:41	4:51	7:05	4:52	7:06	5:17	6:40	5:48
22	6:12	5:17	6:42	4:51	7:05	4:52	7:06	5:18	6:39	5:49
23	6:13	5:16	6:43	4:50	7:06	4:53	7:05	5:19	6:38	5:50
24	6:14	5:15	6:43	4:50	7:06	4:54	7:05	5:20	6:36	5:51
25	6:15	5:13	6:44	4:50	7:07	4:54	7:04	5:21	6:35	5:52
26	6:16	5:12	6:45	4:49	7:07	4:55	7:04	5:22	6:34	5:53
27	6:17	5:11	6:46	4:49	7:07	4:55	7:03	5:23	6:33	5:54
28	6:17	5:10	6:47	4:49	7:08	4:56	7:02	5:24	6:31	5:55
29	6:18	5:09	6:48	4:49	7:08	4:57	7:02	5:25	6:31	5:56
30	6:19	5:08	6:49	4:48	7:08	4:57	7:01	5:26		
31	6:20	5:07			7:08	4:58	7:00	5:27		

## NASHVILLE (CENTRAL STANDARD TIME)

	OCT.		NOV.		DEC.		JAN.		FEB	
DAY	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.
1	5:41	5:31	6:09	4:51	6:39	4:32	6:58	4:43	6:48	5:13
2	5:42	5:29	6:10	4:50	6:40	4:32	6:58	4:44	6:47	5:14
3	5:43	5:28	6:11	4:49	6:41	4:32	6:58	4:45	6:46	5:15
4	5:44	5:27	6:12	4:48	6:42	4:32	6:58	4:45	6:45	5:16
5	5:45	5:25	6:13	4:47	6:42	4:32	6:58	4:46	6:45	5:17
6	5:46	5:24	6:14	4:46	6:43	4:32	6:58	4:47	6:44	5:18
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28	6:05	4:55	6:36	4:33	6:57	4:40	6:51	5:09	6:19	5:40
29	6:06	4:54	6:37	4:33	6:57	4:41	6:50	5:10	6:19	5:41
30	6:07	4:53	6:38	4:33	6:57	4:41	6:49	5:11		
31	6:08	4:52			6:58	4:42	6:49	5:12		

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3	5:49	5:34	6:17	4:55	6:46	4:38	7:04	4:51
4	5:50	5:32	6:18	4:54	6:47	4:38	7:04	4:51
5	5:50	5:31	6:19	4:53	6:48	4:38	7:04	4:52
6	5:51	5:29	6:20	4:52	6:49	4:38	7:04	4:53
7	5:52	5:28	6:21	4:51	6:50	4:38	7:04	4:54
8	5:53	5:27	6:22	4:50	6:51	4:38	7:04	4:55
9	5:54	5:25	6:23	4:49	6:51	4:38	7:04	4:56
10	5:55	5:24	6:24	4:49	6:52	4:38	7:04	4:57
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These charts reflect Standard Time only. Add one hour to each to convert to Daylight Saving Time.

## CHATTANOOGA (EASTERN STANDARD TIME)

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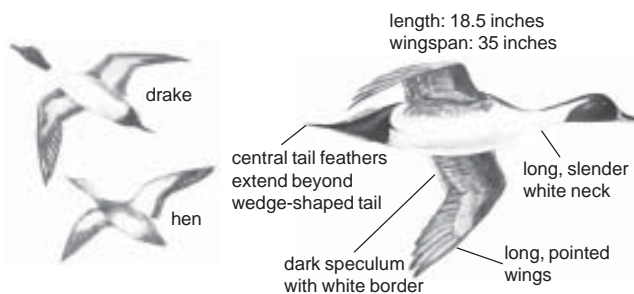
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### PINTAIL - Season: Dec. 27, 2003 - Jan. 25, 2004

Daily bag limit:1

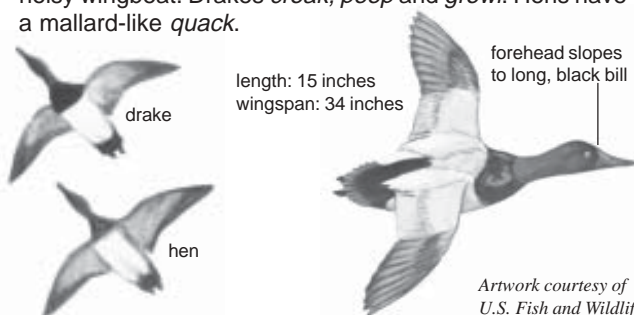
These are slender, graceful and fast fliers, often zig-zagging from great heights before leveling off to land. Drakes *whistle*. Hens have a coarse *quack*.



### CANVASBACK - Season: Dec. 27, 2003 - Jan. 25, 2004

Daily bag limit:1

The swiftest of all ducks, the canvasback has a rapid and noisy wingbeat. Drakes *croak, peep and growl*. Hens have a mallard-like *quack*.



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## WHY BAND BIRDS?

Bird banding data are useful in both research and management. Individual identification of birds makes possible studies of the bird's dispersal and migration, behavior and social structure, life-span and survival rate, reproductive success and population growth.

An analysis of banding information from game birds is completed annually and is essential for developing hunting regulations and for detecting changes in waterfowl populations. Banding data can be used to assess the hunting pressure, estimate productivity and survival, and measure the vulnerability of the age/sex classes to hunting pressure.

There are bands used by professional bird banders in North America to accommodate every species of bird from the tiniest hummer to the largest Trumpeter Swan. Bands are made to last, but they do wear out eventually. However, even seemingly invisible numbers on very worn bands can be determined using etching. Hundreds of bands are etched and returned to hunters by the Bird Banding Laboratory every year.

To learn more about bird banding contact the Bird Banding Lab at USGS Patuxent Wildlife Research Cen-



ter/Bird Banding Laboratory/12100 Beech Forest Road/Laurel, MD 20708-4037. Telephone: 301-497-5790; Fax: 301-497-5717; [www.pwrc.usgs.gov/bbl](http://www.pwrc.usgs.gov/bbl)



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<http://www.pwrc.usgs.gov/bbl>

## FEDERAL REGULATIONS SUMMARY

In addition to state regulations, the following federal rules apply to taking, possession, shipping, transporting, and storing of migratory game birds. This is only a summary. Each hunter should also consult actual regulations, which may be found in Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 20.

**Restrictions:** No person shall take migratory game birds:

- With a trap, snare net, rifle, pistol, swivel gun, shotgun larger than 10-gauge, punt gun, battery gun, machine gun, fishhook, poison, drug, explosive or stupefying substance.
- With a shotgun capable of holding more than three shells, unless it is plugged with a one-piece filler which cannot be removed without disassembling the gun.
- From a sink box (a low floating device, having a depression affording the hunter a means of concealment beneath the surface of the water).
- From or with the aid or use of a car or other motor-driven vehicle, or any aircraft, except that paraplegic and single or double amputees of the legs may take from any stationary motor vehicle. "Paraplegic" means an individual afflicted with paralysis of the lower half of the body with involvement of both legs, usually due to disease or injury to the spinal cord.
- From or by means of any motor boat or sail boat unless the motor has been completely shut off and/or the sail furled and its progress therefrom has ceased.
- By the use or aid of live decoys. All live, tame or captive ducks and geese shall be removed for a period of 10 consecutive days prior to hunting and confined within an enclosure which substantially reduces the audibility of their calls and totally conceals such tame birds from the sight of migratory waterfowl.
- Using records or tapes of migratory bird sounds, or electronically amplified imitations of bird calls.
- By driving, rallying or chasing birds with any motorized conveyance or any sail boat to put them in the range of the hunters.
- By the aid of baiting (placing feed such as corn, wheat, salt or other feed to constitute a lure or enticement), or on or over any baited areas. Hunters should be aware that a baited area is considered to be baited for 10 days after the removal of the bait, and it is not necessary for the hunter to know an area is baited to be in violation.

**CLOSED SEASON.** No person shall take migratory game birds during the closed season.

**SHOOTING or HAWKING HOURS.** No person shall take migratory game birds except during the hours open to shooting and hawking as prescribed.

**DAILY BAG LIMIT.** No person shall possess more than one daily bag limit.

**FIELD POSSESSION LIMIT.** No person shall possess more than one daily bag limit while in the field or while returning from the field to one's car, hunting camp, home, etc.

**WANTON WASTE.** All migratory game birds killed or crippled shall be retrieved, if possible, and retained in the custody of the hunter in the field.

**TAGGING.** No person shall give, put or leave any migratory game birds at any place or in the custody of another person unless the birds are tagged by the hunter with the following information: The hunter's signature, address, the total number of birds involved by species and the dates such birds were killed. No person or business shall receive or have in custody any migratory game birds belonging to another person unless such birds are properly tagged.

**POSSESSION of LIVE BIRDS.** Wounded birds reduced to possession shall be immediately killed and included in the daily bag limit.

**DRESSING.** No person shall completely field dress any migratory game bird (except doves and band-tailed pigeons) and then transport the birds from the field. The head or one fully feathered wing must remain attached to all such birds while being transported from the field to one's home or to a migratory bird preservation facility.

**SHIPMENT.** No person shall ship migratory game birds unless the package is marked on the outside with: (a) the name and address of the person sending the birds, (b) the name and address of the person to whom the birds are being sent, and (c) the number of birds, by species, contained in the package.

**IMPORTATION.** For information regarding the importation of migratory birds killed in another country, hunters should consult 50 CFR 20.61 through 20.66. One fully feathered wing must remain attached to all migratory game birds being transported between a port of entry and one's home or to a migratory bird preservation facility. No person shall import migratory game birds killed in any foreign country, except Canada, unless such birds are dressed (except as required above), drawn and the head and feet are removed. No person shall import migratory game birds belonging to another person.

**MIGRATORY BIRD HUNTING and CONSERVATION STAMP.** The law requires that each waterfowl hunter 16 years of age and over must carry on his or her person a valid Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp (duck stamp) signed in ink across the face.

**DUAL VIOLATION.** Violation of state migratory bird regulations is also a violation of federal regulations.

**CAUTION.** More restrictive regulations may apply to National Wildlife Refuges open to public hunting. For additional information on federal regulations, contact Special Agent-in-Charge, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, RM 132-C, U.S. Courthouse, 801 Broadway, Nashville, TN 37203. Telephone 615-736-5532.



# WMA DUCK BLIND RULES

The complete rule governing duck blinds on state WMAs can be found at the following web address:

[www.state.tn.us/sos/rules/1660/1660-01/1660-01-02](http://www.state.tn.us/sos/rules/1660/1660-01/1660-01-02)

## CHANGES MADE TO WMA DUCK BLIND RULES IN 2002

**The following regulations apply only to Woods Reservoir of A.E.D.C., Barkley Units I and II, Cheatham Lake, Old Hickory-Units I and II, Camden Units I and II, Big Sandy, Cordell Hull, Gooch-Unit A, Harmon's Creek, Haynes Bottom, Reelfoot, Tigrett, and West Sandy Wildlife Management Areas, except for portions of Barkley and Cheatham Lake Wildlife Management Areas as noted in Paragraph (3) of these Rules and Regulations.**

(a) For the purpose of this rule the following definitions apply:

1. A permanent draw blind site is a waterfowl hunting blind location established by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency and assigned annually by a random drawing as provided in Paragraph (3) of Rule 1660-1-8-.05.
2. A temporary blind is either a structure assembled or placed for one day of waterfowl hunting: a boat that is used for one day of waterfowl hunting; or, a site consisting of the use of natural vegetation or conditions for concealment for one day of waterfowl hunting.
3. A permanent registered blind site is a waterfowl hunting blind location registered to a specific individual on Reelfoot or West Sandy identified with geographic coordinates. These sites may not be relocated or transferred to another individual. It is the intent that over time all permanent registered blind sites will be converted to permanent draw blind sites or temporary blind sites.
4. A permanent blind is either a permanent registered blind, a permanent draw blind, or a permanent public blind site.
5. A subimpoundment is the water managed by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency or its management partner in association with waterfowl hunting and habitat management.

(b) No waterfowl hunting on Barkley, Camden-Unit I, Cheatham Lake, Cordell Hull, Gooch-Unit A, Haynes Bottom, Old Hickory-Units I and II, and Woods Reservoir of A.E.D.C. Wildlife Management Areas during the late waterfowl seasons, except from fixed (floating or post type) blinds registered with the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency except as provided for in proclamation and as exempted in subparagraphs (h), (i), and (l) below. Permanent draw blinds and temporary blinds must be within five (5) feet of designated stakes. Designated stakes may not be moved without approval of the area manager.

(c) All permanent draw blind construction must be completed by the fourth Monday in October. To be considered completed an adequate framed structure with minimum dimensions of 4 feet wide, 4 feet high and 8 feet long not to exceed 30 feet in length and not to exceed 300 total square feet with walls consisting of netting wire, or solid material to which camouflage can be attached must be in place. All camouflage must be completed by opening day of waterfowl season. Pits may be constructed on sites as designated. Any blinds not meeting these requirements will be canceled.

(d) No more than eight individuals age sixteen (16) or older may occupy a permanent draw blind at any time. This restriction shall include those permanent draw blind sites that may become temporary blind sites as a result of those blinds not being chosen at the blind allocation drawing or canceled by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency. (NOTE: No restriction on the number of youths 15 years of age or younger.)

(e) The permittee, who is the person to whom the Agency issued the permit, must occupy his/her blind by the legal daily opening shooting time on days he/she wishes to hunt, and if the blind is unoccupied at that time by the permittee, the first person or party occupying said blind shall be entitled to the privilege of its exclusive and uninterrupted use until the end of the shooting hours of that day. Exclusive and uninterrupted use entitles the person or party to the right to exclude all others from the blind, at the person's or party's option, except for law enforcement personnel engaged in the performance of their duties. The permittee has priority use (exclusive and uninterrupted use) only if he/she is at the blind on or before the legal daily opening shooting time, regardless of whether or not the blind is occupied by another person or party, provided the permittee produces identification and his/her blind permit.

(f) All blinds must be removed from the reservoir and government property by May 1 of the following year except on Barkley Unit II where all blinds must be removed by February 27. Any blind not removed will become the property of the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency for future use and/or destruction.

(g) If any waterfowl blind permittee violates any of the Rules and Regulations contained herein, he/she is subject to have his/her blind permit canceled in addition to the penalty prescribed by law.

(h) Hunting will be permitted from permanent draw blinds and temporary blinds on Camden-Unit II, Big Sandy (including Gin Creek Unit), Barkley Unit II, Cordell Hull, Harmon's Creek, Tigrett, and West Sandy in accordance with statewide rules and regulations. Any temporary blinds or hides and decoys must be at least 200 yards from any permanent blind and must be removed from the area at the end of shooting each day. All permanent blinds must be within 5 feet of designated stakes.

(i) Hunting will be permitted from permanent draw blinds and staked positions for temporary blinds on Old Hickory-Unit I and Unit II. Hunting from temporary blinds is on a first-come, first-serve basis. Any temporary blinds constructed on staked positions and decoys must be removed from the area at the end of shooting hours each day.

(j) Trespassing or disturbance is prohibited in posted areas during the waterfowl season.

(k) Public access will be prohibited in the subimpoundments of Barkley-Unit I, Cheatham Lake, Haynes Bottom, Old Hickory-Units I and II, Camden Units I and II, Big Sandy, Gooch-Unit A, Tigrett, and West Sandy from two hours after legal shooting hours have ended until four a.m. the following day during the late duck season(s).

(l) Blinds not chosen at the blind allocation drawing or canceled by Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency will become temporary blind sites for the year of the drawing.

**The following regulations apply to the Wildlife Management Area, as indicated: (a) A.E.D.C. (Except Woods Reservoir), Anderson Tully, Cottonport, Yellow Creek, Long Island, Lick Creek, New Hope, Percy Priest-Unit II, Candies Creek, Roger's Creek, Johnson Bottoms, Mark's Creek Unit of Cheatham Reservoir, and areas as specified under proclamation of Cheatham Reservoir, White Oak, that area of Barkley Reservoir as specified under annual proclamation, that portion of Old Hickory-Unit III, from Mile No. 268 upstream to the abandoned Lock and Dam site No. 6 at approximately Mile No. 281, Ernest Rice, Sr., Obion River, Moss Island, Gooch-Units B, C, and E, Shelby Forest, and Wolf River.**

1. No permanent blinds allowed.
2. Decoys must be picked up each day.
3. Temporary blinds must be built the day of the hunt and hunters using temporary blinds must remove or destroy such blinds at the end of the day's hunt.

(b) Reserved

(c) **Reelfoot Wildlife Management Area**

4. A permanent registered blind site holder may annually designate other individuals who may for that season be permitted priority use of their permanent blind sites. These persons, hereinafter referred to as sign-ons, must be identified at the time of the blind site registration and must sign on in person or the registrant may present notarized signatures proving the identity of his sign-ons. Sign-ons to permanent registered blind sites which are registered through certified mail, must join in the execution of the affidavit described in Paragraph No. 2.

(d) **West Sandy Wildlife Management Area**

(i) A permanent blind is a framed structure of a minimum of 4 feet wide, 4 feet high and 8 feet long not to exceed 30 feet in length and not to exceed 300 square feet with walls consisting of netting wire or solid material to which camouflage is or may be attached that is constructed on or moved to either a permanent registered blind site or a permanent draw blind site.

5. A permanent registered blind site holder may annually designate other individuals who may for that season be permitted priority use of their permanent blind sites. These persons, hereinafter referred to as sign-ons must be identified at the time of the blind registration

8. The permittee, who is the person to whom the Agency issued the permit, must occupy his/her blind by the legal daily opening shooting time on days he/she wishes to hunt, and if the blind is unoccupied at that time by the permittee, the first person or party occupying said blind shall be entitled to the privilege of its exclusive and uninterrupted use until the end of the shooting hours of that day. Exclusive and uninterrupted use entitles the person or party to the right to exclude all others from the blind, at the person's or party's option, except for law enforcement personnel engaged in the performance of their duties. The permittee has priority use (exclusive and uninterrupted use) only if he/she is at the blind on or before the legal daily opening shooting time, regardless of whether or not the blind is occupied by another person or party, provided the permittee produces identification and his/her blind permit.

9. Neither permanent registered blind site holders nor their sign-ons may compete for nor may they be registered or signed on any other Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency blind site in the state.

Statutory Authority T.C.A. 70-4-107

## DON'T SHOOT UNLESS YOU'RE SURE!

Many protected species of waterfowl, wading birds, and other waterbirds occur alongside the many species of waterfowl that can be legally hunted in Tennessee. These species are protected by both State and Federal law, and cannot be legally hunted anywhere in the state. Some protected species utilize the same habitats, possess similar coloration, and share the habits of many le-

gally hunted birds.

Through careful study, accidental shootings of protected species can be prevented. Please help the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency prevent accidental shootings by familiarizing yourself with these protected species before heading into the field and remember, "Don't Shoot Unless You're Sure."

### SNOW GOOSE

White, with black wing tips  
Short neck  
Wingspan: 53"  
Length: 28"

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### CANADA GOOSE

Gray and white body and wings  
Black head and neck with white chin strap  
Wingspan: 60"  
Length: 45"

### TRUMPETER SWAN

All white plumage  
Long neck  
Wingspan: 80"  
Length: 60"  
Juveniles: gray-brown

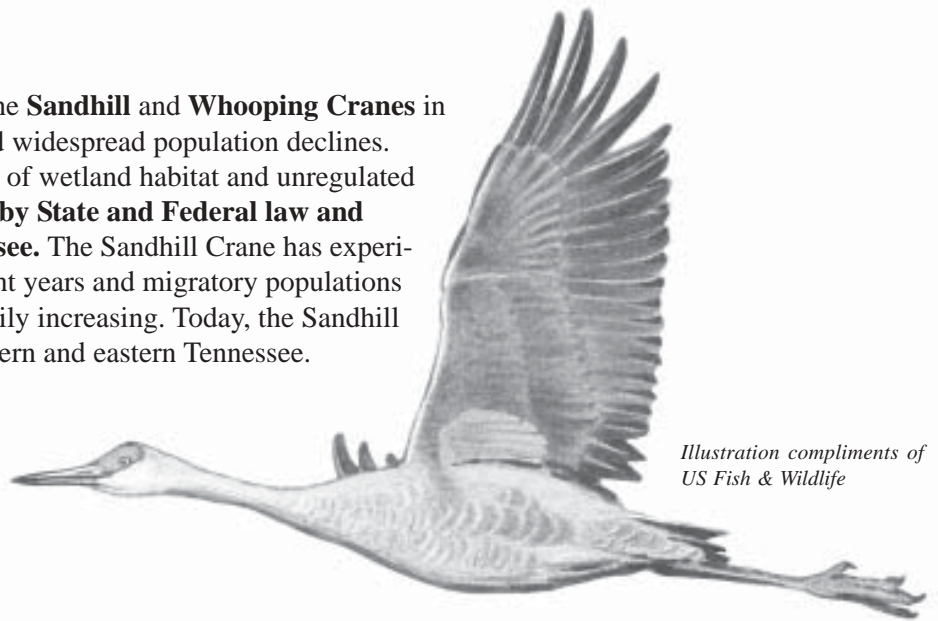
### TUNDRA SWAN

All white plumage  
Long neck  
Wingspan: 66"  
Length: 52"  
Juveniles: gray-brown

The **Trumpeter** and **Tundra Swans** are the largest and the only native, all white waterfowl occurring in Tennessee. **Both species are protected by both State and Federal law in Tennessee and cannot be hunted.** Until last year, John James Audubon had reported the last live Trumpeter Swans in Tennessee during his 1820 flatboat trip down the Mississippi River. As a result of intensive reintroduction efforts in the eastern United States, Trum-

peter Swans returned to Tennessee in December of 2001 in Lauderdale County. Reintroduction of Trumpeter Swans is a cooperative effort between State, Federal, and non-governmental organizations including sportsmen and nonconsumptive user groups. If you see a Trumpeter Swan in Tennessee, please report it to the appropriate TWRA Regional Office.

Historically, populations of both the **Sandhill** and **Whooping Cranes** in the eastern United States experienced widespread population declines. These declines resulted from the loss of wetland habitat and unregulated market hunting. **Both are protected by State and Federal law and cannot be legally hunted in Tennessee.** The Sandhill Crane has experienced a tremendous recovery in recent years and migratory populations crossing through Tennessee are steadily increasing. Today, the Sandhill Crane is common in portions of western and eastern Tennessee.



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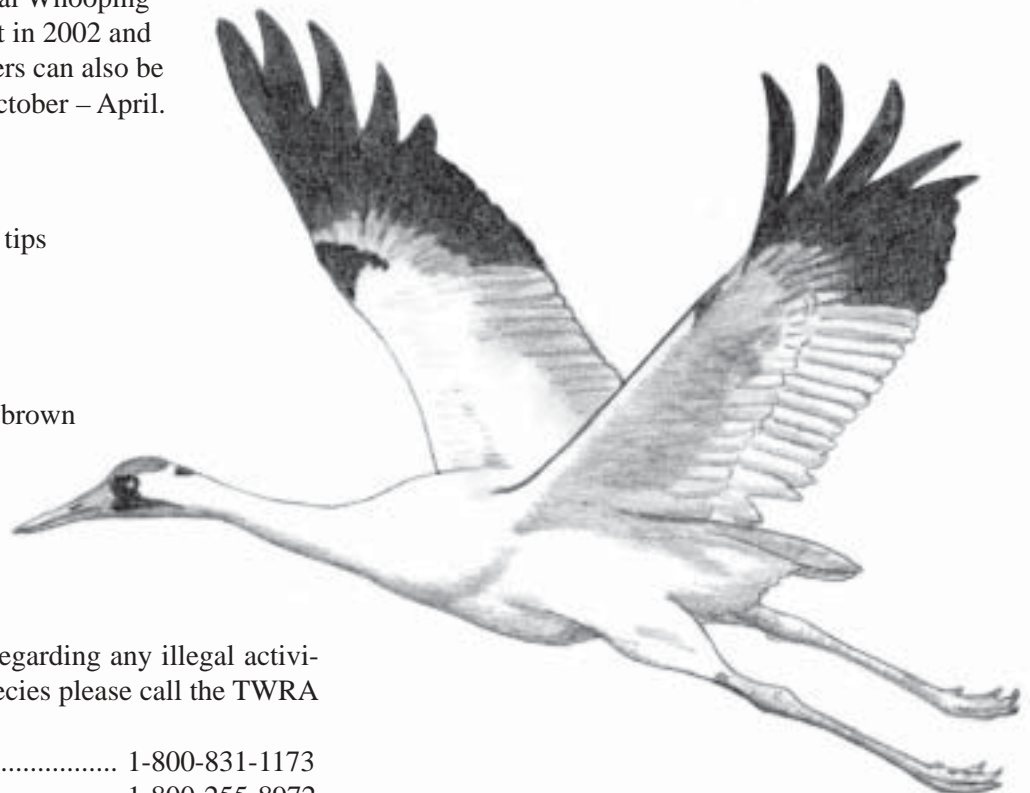
A flock of Whooping Cranes migrating across Tennessee in October 2001 became the first migratory flock of that species in the state in over 100 years. An effort to reintroduce a migratory flock of Whooping Cranes to the eastern United States includes Tennessee as a vital part of the migratory journey. An ultralight aircraft serving as a surrogate parent to the Whooping Crane juveniles is teaching them the long-forgotten migratory route through Tennessee to wintering grounds in Florida. Additional Whooping Cranes will be led by aircraft in 2002 and several free-ranging Whoopers can also be expected in the state from October – April.

### **SANDHILL CRANE**

Gray plumage  
Long neck  
Long legs trailing body  
Wingspan: 77"  
Length: 46"  
Juveniles: gray mixed with brown

### **WHOOPING CRANE**

White body with black wing tips  
Long neck  
Long legs trailing body  
Wingspan: 87"  
Length: 52"  
Juveniles: white mixed with brown



If you have information regarding any illegal activities concerning protected species please call the TWRA Poacher Hotline:

West TN (Reg. I) ..... 1-800-831-1173  
Middle TN (Reg. II) ..... 1-800-255-8972  
Cumberland Plateau (Reg. III) ..... 1-800-241-0767  
East TN (Reg. IV) ..... 1-800-831-1174